



**CITY OF MESA, ARIZONA
ARIZONA PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RETIREMENT SYSTEM
LOCAL PENSION BOARD MEETING – FIRE/POLICE
MAY 17, 2012**

A meeting of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards of Mesa, Arizona, was held in Conference Room 170 West, 20 E. Main, 1st Floor, on May 17, 2012 at 11:02 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Marty Whalen, Chairman
Chris Brady, City Manager
Charlie Cluff (Fire)
Kevin Kazmaier (Police)
Ty Perkins (Fire)
Bryan Raines, Citizen Member
Floyd Smith (Police)

MEMBERS ABSENT

None

STAFF PRESENT

Linda Crocker, City Clerk
Jackie Hale, HR Specialist II
Dee Ann Mickelsen, Deputy City Clerk

OTHERS PRESENT

Michael Duke (applicant)
Cindy Kelley
David Niederdeppe
Jerry Sullivan (applicant)
Blaine Waters

1. Approval of the minutes of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards meeting of April 19, 2012.

It was moved by Boardmember Raines, seconded by Boardmember Brady, that the minutes of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards meeting of April 19, 2012 be approved.

Carried unanimously.

FIRE PENSION BOARD

2. Discuss and consider the DROP applications of Firefighter Ron Bigness, Fire Captains Dallas Brown and Jeffrey Mitchell, and Fire Engineer R. David Potter.

It was moved by Boardmember Cluff, seconded by Boardmember Perkins, that the DROP applications of Firefighter Ron Bigness, Fire Captains Dallas Brown and Jeffrey Mitchell, and Fire Engineer R. David Potter be approved.

Carried unanimously.

3. Approve the election to terminate participation in the DROP program and apply for Normal Retirement for Fire Captains Ransom Rush and Dean Weinland.

It was moved by Boardmember Perkins, seconded by Boardmember Cluff, that the election of Fire Captains Ransom Rush and Dean Weinland to terminate participation in the DROP Program and apply for Normal Retirement be approved.

Carried unanimously.

4. Discuss and consider the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Firefighter Jerry Sullivan.

Chairman Whalen welcomed Firefighter Jerry Sullivan to the meeting. Chairman Whalen advised Mr. Sullivan that the Local Board has reviewed the independent medical evaluation of Dr. Michael Seivert and noted that Dr. Seivert is in agreement with the findings of Mr. Sullivan's attending physician.

Chairman Whalen stated the opinion that Dr. Seivert's report supports Mr. Sullivan's application for an Accidental Disability Retirement and that, in view of the absence of questions from the Board, he would entertain a motion relative to this case.

It was moved by Boardmember Cluff, seconded by Boardmember Perkins, that the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Jerry Sullivan be approved, based on the fact that he has a physical condition which totally and permanently prevents him from performing a reasonable range of duties within his department, and which was incurred during the performance of his duties.

Carried unanimously.

Chairman Whalen thanked Mr. Sullivan for his service to the City.

Without objection, the meeting of the Local Fire Pension Board adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

POLICE PENSION BOARD

5. Certification of full-time Law Enforcement Officers pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 38-842.24, 38-842.27, 38-842.31 and 38-847(D)1.

Subsequent to a review of all medical reports, Local Boardmembers requested that the record reflect that the following applicant has pre-existing medical conditions: Jamey Cox.

It was moved by Boardmember Kazmaier, seconded by Boardmember Smith, that law enforcement officer applicant, Jamey Cox be certified, subject to the pre-existing medical conditions as noted.

Carried unanimously.

6. Discuss and consider the DROP applications of Police Officer Gordon Leitz and Police Sergeant Mike Saltz.

It was moved by Boardmember Kazmaier, seconded by Boardmember Smith, that the DROP applications of Police Officer Gordon Leitz and Police Sergeant Mike Saltz be approved.

Carried unanimously.

7. Approve the election to terminate participation in the DROP program and apply for Normal Retirement for Police Sergeant Larry Kieser, Police Lieutenants Wade Pew and Brent Thiem, and Police Commander Fred Ruhland.

It was moved by Boardmember Smith, seconded by Boardmember Kazmaier, that the election of Police Sergeant Larry Kieser, Police Lieutenants Wade Pew and Brent Thiem, and Police Commander Fred Ruhland to terminate participation in the DROP Program and apply for Normal Retirement be approved.

Carried unanimously.

8. Discuss and consider the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Police Sergeant Michael Duke.

Chairman Whalen welcomed Police Sergeant Michael Duke to the meeting. Chairman Whalen advised Officer Duke that the members of the Local Board have reviewed his application and medical records. Chairman Whalen outlined the process that would be followed by the Board and encouraged the members to pose any questions they may have regarding Officer Duke's pending Accidental Disability application.

Local Boardmembers explained that additional medical documentation would need to be received from a certified specialist prior to referral to a local board physician.

Chairman Whalen stated that in view of the absence of questions from the Board, he would entertain a motion relative to this case.

(Boardmember Raines was excused from the meeting at 11:35 a.m.)

It was moved by Boardmember Kazmaier, seconded by Boardmember Smith, that the case of pending disability applicant Police Officer Michael Duke be continued pending receipt of additional medical documentation.

Chairman Whalen declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

9. Adjournment.

Without objection, the meeting of the Local Police Pension Board adjourned at 11:37 a.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards meeting of Mesa, Arizona, held on the 17th day of May, 2012. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

LINDA CROCKER, CITY CLERK

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